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its completion. I, therefore, ask your approval to present this proposal to the Congress during the present session and request the appropriation of \$49,000,000 to be available until expended, of which \$43,000,000 will be available in addition to the \$3,000,000 already appropriated for planning and construction and \$6,000,000 of which will be available in addition to the \$2,500,000 already appropriated for acquisition of land for and construction to extend the George Washington Memorial Parkway. The proposed obligation and expenditure of these funds would be in accordance with the attached schedule (Annex B).

In considering the nature of the installation, a complete survey was made with the architect-engineer of the special requirements of the Central Intelligence Agency (Annex A). The unusual security needs of this Agency make mandatory a compartmentation of personnel greatly in excess of that normally required in government or private office buildings. Special arrangements must be made for secure handling in storage and transmission of large amounts of classified material. Provisions must be made for the installation and effective use of special electronic equipment used in the analysis of intelligence data. Finally, we wish to have a building which, while without frills, will provide a working atmosphere for our employees which will be pleasant and conducive to maximum production. Considering all of these requirements, as well as the physical characteristics of the site, the firm of Harrison & Abramovitz has recommended a block type wing building as most satisfactorily meeting all the special requirements of the Agency. My staff and I have examined the plans proposed and are of the opinion that they are most responsive to the needs of this Agency, providing a secure, efficiently organized, and, although simple and non-monumental, attractive installation.

We therefore wish to obtain the approval of the Congress to the installation proposed. We request that that approval be expressed in terms of an appropriation now for the balance of the funds authorized. We would like to move into this installation as soon as may be humanly possible. Occupancy of the new building will increase considerably both the security and efficiency of our operations, and will bring about substantial economies in operating costs. ~~Due to increased costs of construction since the authorization was granted, the total amount authorized will not be adequate to provide a building which will house all of our employees in the Washington metropolitan area. However, the building proposed will provide space for approximately 8,000 employees, permitting the evacuation of a substantial quantity of~~

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the temporary space we now occupy, so that its demolition will be possible in accordance with the President's plans for urban renewal in the District of Columbia. The total number of buildings occupied by the Agency will be considerably reduced, with resultant benefits. Delay, in addition to perpetuating excessive operating costs, may occasion an appreciable further increase in construction costs, therefore further reducing the space that can be provided with the funds available.

We cannot proceed much further, however, unless additional funds are available for obligation. Even while the architect is completing detailed plans, we can proceed with necessary preliminary activity - if the funds are available. This will be a construction project of considerable magnitude. Provisions must be made for adequate access to the site, for parking facilities for the several thousand construction workers who will be involved; for preparation of the site to allow the construction of foundations and to provide stockpile areas for construction materials. Prior to the completion of all of the detailed plans, foundations and basements could be contracted for and installed. Additional right-of-way must be acquired for the extension of the George Washington Memorial Parkway, and its extension must be commenced so that it will provide access to the site during construction. The net result of taking these steps would be to bring that much closer the day when the building will finally be ready for occupancy.

(2) As further information is constantly being developed, I should be pleased to confer with you further in preparation for presentation to the Congress.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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